ABSOLUTE RATING: Average **IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Excellent

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 94.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from below average to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating
Average

Improvement Rating Excellent

2001 2002

2002

2003 2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics English/
Language Arts

Mathematics

Basic

English/ Language Arts

Advanced

Proficient



Below Basic

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORI	NG BASIC OR ABO	OVE ON THE	PACT	
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=326)	71.5	61.7	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=34)	50	51.4		
Students without disabilities (n=289)	74.7	63.3		
Gender				
Male (n=174)	67.2	60		
Female (n=149)	77.9	64.4		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=147)	57.8	45.9		
Hispanic (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=176)	84.1	75.6		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=213)	67.1	53.7		
Pay for lunch (n=109)	82.6	78.9		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$6,616	N/A	\$5,313	\$5,347
 Prime instructional time 	89.9%	Up from 88.8%	90.2%	90.2%
 Student-teacher ratio in core subjects 	17 to 1	N/A	18.5 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=683)				
Attendance Rate	96.1%	Up from 95.6%	96%	96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	9.6%	N/A	4.2%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade leve 	9.6% I	N/A	3.4%	3.1%
 First graders who attended full day kindergarten 	98.2%	Up from 94%	96.8%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate TEACHERS (n=57)	3.8%	Up from 3.4%	4%	3.6%
 Professional Development days per teacher 	10.8 Days	Up from 7.7	7.4 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	95.3%	Up from 94.6%	95.1%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	40.4%	Down from 42.1	% 45.1%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	78.9%	Up from 69.5%	84%	83.8%
Teachers with out-of-field permits	3.5%	Up from 1.7%	0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from the previous school year	90.7%	Down from 91.1	% 87.6%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$40,013	Up 5.7%	\$36,883	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	70%	N/A	65.7%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	2	N/A	3	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	100%	N/A	95.1%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	37.1%	Up from 18.6%	48.8%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	1.5%	Down from 2.2%	1.3%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	21	N/A	1	1
Gifted and talented	4.8%	Up from 4.3%	9.7%	11.5%
 With disabilities other than speech 	15.4%	Up from 13.5%	8.4%	8.4%

PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a productive year at South Conway Elementary School. Everyone has worked together to ensure success for all. Among our accomplishments are the following:

- -- 100% of parents participated in Personalized Learning Plan conferences;
- -- 100% of parents, students, and teachers signed compacts;
- -- 99.1% of our first grade students scored "ready" on the Cognitive Skills Assessment Battery (CSAB);
- -- Over 300 men from the community participated in our "One Hundred Men for Lunch" program;
- -- 643 students earned 14,848 Accelerated Reader points; and
- -- 79% of our second grade students scored "basic" or above on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT) in English Language Arts.

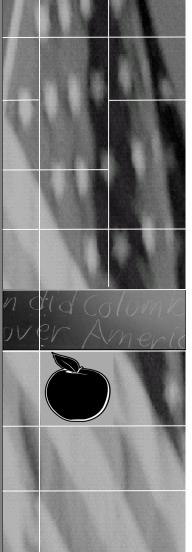
Students at South Conway Elementary School participated in benchmark testing, monthly writing prompts, integrated use of technology, after school tutorial sessions, and remediation/enrichment groups. Service learning projects, such as the Don Ethel McCray Memorial Butterfly Garden, were implemented to set examples of responsible citizenship.

Professional development for teachers was expanded to include common planning during the school day. Opportunities were provided for staff members to attend professional conferences. Two teachers are seeking National Board Certification. Stacey Thompson was the South Conway Elementary School's Teacher of the Year.

The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) provided needed materials for teachers and students. They also sponsored events such as the Saturday Celebration and Multicultural Fair to promote school and community spirit. The local COPE police officers were Partners in Education and visited and read with our students.

The South Conway Elementary School family is proud of this year's many successes.

Donna Hooks, Principal



South Conway Elementary 3001 4th Avenue Conway, SC 29527

Grades PK-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 683 Students

Principal

Donna Hooks 843-488-0272

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Dr. Gerrita Postlewait 843 488-6717

Board Chair

Helen M. Smith 843-236-3333

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School Report Card
Report Card

2001

School Grade: Excellent

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

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Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	89.5	83.2	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	86.2	87.3	
Satisfied with home-school relations	64.9	87.3	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

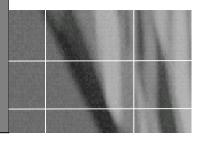
Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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